

REDONDO!

A Short History of a Great Enterprise.

The Work of Capital, Pluck, Brains and Business.

Magnificent Results Accomplished in Spite of the Dullest Times.

A PERFECT HOTEL.

The Best Bathing Place in All the World.

A Railroad to the Beach for Business and Pleasure.

A Watering Place and Harbor Destined to Become Famous as Far as the Sun Shines and Men Live.

It is now fully two years since the great excitement of the boom came to its end, and one has heard little since excepting about dull times and lack of enterprise from a large class of the people. The impression has gone abroad that Los Angeles was dead, and that no progress was being made at any point in the semi-tropics, with its fertile fields and sunny skies. Anyone who will read the following short narrative of solid, indisputable facts, may learn how false a view this is. Every statement made below is capable of the fullest verification, and if anyone will take the trouble to investigate he will say at the end that it is as it was in the days of Solomon, the Magnificent, that the half of what has been done was not embodied in the lines of the narrator. It would be almost impossible to cover in perfect detail all that has been accomplished, and the pen that would exaggerate the facts would need to be guided by a bright imagination.

It is somewhat more than a year since Captain J. C. Ainsworth, of Oakland, and Captain R. R. Thompson, of San Francisco, on a visit to Los Angeles, had their attention attracted to a piece of the ocean shore near the old salt works at Redondo Beach. They saw the place with the eyes of men experienced in many things. The gentlemen's names have been familiar to all the Pacific Coast for a generation. To them, more than any others, was due the first enterprises tending to the development of the great latent resources of the great Northwest. Their courage and insight had stirred all the waters of Oregon and Washington at an early day with the paddles of the steamboat, and the whistle of their locomotives woke the echoes along the grand banks of the rivers and up to the peaks of the snow-capped mountains, of which Bryant says:

And hears no sound save its own dashings.
These men saw that where the
League-long rollers of the Pacific
Broke upon the shore might be built up
at once a great entrepot of commerce,
and a delightful seaside resort. With
this in mind the property was bought,
and soon the work began of developing
the natural resources of the place. The
programme outlined at the beginning,
and followed without deviation to this
moment, has been diametrically the op-
posite of that known as a "boom." No
lots were offered for sale. No advertise-
ment was done of the place. It was by
hard and persistent effort that news-
paper men were able to learn what was
on the tapis at Redondo. But from time
to time a new movement was made of so
much magnitude that it spoke "trumpet-
tongued" to the world of what it meant.

The first thing done was to secure
facilities for doing a shipping business.
With this purpose in mind a fine wharf
was built from the shore out into water
so deep that deep-sea vessels of almost
any tonnage can lie alongside, and load
or discharge at pleasure. It will not be
the aim of this sketch to go into details
about all these matters, but rather to
reserve the most of the space for the
hotel. Suffice it then to say that this
wharf at once became the scene of a busy
traffic. The Pacific Coast steamers
made arrangements to stop on their trips
up and down the Coast. Luxuriant ves-
sels from all ports of the Coast began to
come and go laden with building ma-
terial, railroad ties and other similar car-
goes. It is no uncommon thing these days
to find at Redondo two or more steamers
loading or unloading; a couple of lum-
ber vessels discharging cargoes, and per-
haps other craft from ports near and far.
More than 100 tons of freight a day are
handled at this wharf as an average of
business, with of course several times
that amount on days of unusual activity.

A Town Laid Out.
Here a town was laid out, and a
charming place it is to build a seaside
city. The shore is not flat, but some-
what bold at the water's edge, and the
contour of the land slopes gently back
for miles, as if the ocean had rolled in
billow after billow, piling the waters
higher and then higher, and then be-
coming a mass of living green, thickly
decked with the rainbow hues of a thou-
sand flowers, so that terrace lies
above terrace from the pebbly sands to
the high background a couple of miles
inland. On these terraces broad streets
were laid out, backwards from the sea
to the hills, or parallel with the shore,

following the natural configuration of
the territory. The seashore here takes
a broad sweep inland in a curve of grand
proportions, and the city as planned will
set like a vast amphitheatre, the shore
line forming a veritable arena, but one
for gentle pleasure and not the fierce
atrocities that dyed the sands of the
Roman coliseum with human blood.
The views from the townsite are
fascinating beyond the power of
pen to depict them. Seaward
stretches the infinite blue below,
embraced by the infinite blue above.
Far out lie the bold outlines of islands,
set like emeralds in a world of sapphire.
East and west great headlands, Point
Vincent and Point Duma, run out into
the waves to shelter the bay on which
Redondo lies from every harsh or hostile
breath that blows. Inland over three
quadrants of the circle rise the moun-
tain chains that hem in the valley of Los
Angeles. Snow peaks rise above the
lesser heights, their topmost crags lost
in the central blue. From the moun-
tains to the sea the whole glorious ex-
panse glimmers like a sea of emerald in
the cloudless sun, studded with cities
standing white on the hills, and with
villages nestling in rich orchards and
bordered in roses perennial as those of
Pestum, famous of old on the shore of
Southern Italy.

The Water Supply.
The next matter to which the Redondo
Company put its vigorous hand was to
provide both the city and the shipping
with a plentiful supply of pure water.
Here experience counted for something.
Captain Thompson a-dozen years ago set
himself the task of providing the town
of Alameda, where he then lived, with
water. He found it where few would
have thought of looking for it. At the
edge of the bay, where the tide ebbs and
flows with its salt waves, he sank
a number of wells, from which
fresh water rose to the sur-
face, clear, sparkling, sweet and pure.
The suggestion was made to count at
Redondo; for close to where the salt
works once stood wells were driven, and
from these an abundance of pure water is
obtained. This water distills in the
dew and falls in rain or crystal snow on
the tops of the mountains sixty miles
away, percolates through their rock ribs
and touches nothing less clean than gran-
ite or beds of snowy sand until it
wells up on the beach, sparkling and
clear as a ray of sunlight.

The Redondo Company has devel-
oped a magnificent water system. There
are thirty-two driven wells, two
and one-half inch pipe, perforated at the
lower end. These drive pipes are con-
nected with a six-inch iron main, to
which is attached powerful steam
pumps. These pumps have a capacity
of 1,000,000 gallons a day, and so far
have been unable to make any apparent
decrease in the supply in the subter-
ranean natural reservoir. The water is
pumped to a cemented reservoir 125 feet
square and 20 feet deep, with a capacity
of 3,500,000 gallons. This reservoir is
located at an elevation of nearly 200 feet
above the hotel main floor, thus afford-
ing a constant pressure to the hotel and
dwelling and business houses of the
town.

How to Get There.
When Captains Thompson and Ains-
worth became the owners of the property
at the beach and began their great work
of development, the Santa Fe Railway
Company had already built a line of
standard gauge road from Los Angeles,
via Inglewood, to the beach. They were
operating this branch with a couple of
passenger trains each way daily. But
the Redondo Company proposed to be ab-
solutely independent of all alliances, and
to be perfectly masters of their own situ-
ation. To this end a right of way was
secured and work begun on a rail-
road from Los Angeles to Redondo.
It was duly incorporated as the
Redondo Railway Company. The
work was pushed with the unflinching
energy that characterizes all the under-
takings of the Redondo people, and in
due time the line was completed. It
enters Los Angeles near Agricultural
park and runs through a very picture-
esque stretch of country to tide water on
the wharf. It is completely equipped
and is now operated at frequent inter-
vals all days of the week. The company
has a new style of "motor" locomotive
that burns petroleum for fuel, thus
avoiding noise, smoke and flying eye-
destroyinginders. The trains of cars
are the handsomest ever seen in Califor-
nia. They make hourly trips be-
tween the hotel and Los Angeles in
thirty or forty minutes. The depot, a
handsome two-story brick structure of
elegant design, is located about 100 feet
easterly of the hotel. In it are commodi-
ous ticket offices, waiting-rooms, and
on the second floor are the elegant offices
of Captain George G. Ainsworth,
of the Redondo Company. A thou-
sand feet or so south are the car
houses and repair shops, and
still further south are the hot-houses,
containing tens of thousands of roses
and plants with which to decorate the
grounds.

For full times, and an era of a bursted
"boom," the record above is rather sur-
prising. It has cost the company hun-
dreds of thousands of dollars to accom-
plish the grand results so briefly
sketched. Nor is there any sign of
tiring in the good work apparent. The
work done up to this point is merely
preliminary. It is the path leading to
something beyond. That something is
what this article, too, has been leading
up to, and now we come to the impor-
tant and special object of all hereto-
before written.

The Redondo Hotel.
Yesterday and today the Redondo
Hotel Company keep open house in
their new hostelry, which has just been
completed and is now open to the gen-
eral public. It is of this all Los Angeles
and all the country about are speaking
these days. It is pronounced by all of
the great multitudes who have paid it a
visit during the time it was being built,
and particularly by those who have seen
it since its completion, to be without a
peer on the Coast or in the country any-
where. It is not the largest hotel to be
found, nor did it cost the most money of
any. Yet it is far from being a small
hotel, nor did it assume its present
shape without the expenditure of a large
sum. But it is the coziest, the most
comfortable, the most complete, the most
perfect and the most picturesque
hostelry west of the big rivers of the
continent.

A general description is that the hotel
is all things. It is traversed everywhere
by long, broad halls or corridors. On
each side of these the rooms are so ar-
ranged that there is not a dark room in

the hotel. Neither is there one not well
ventilated, nor one that does not afford a
magnificent view of the sea, or of the
surrounding country. The rooms are
fitted up with all possible convenience,
including bath, hot and cold water; and
in all the rooms are fireplaces. The man-
tels and wood work are finished in the
best style of art.

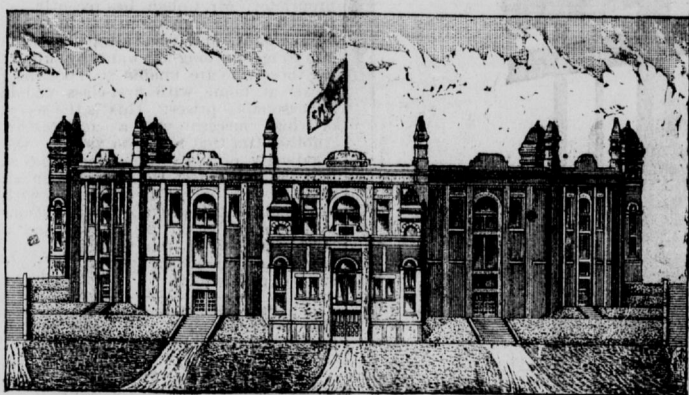
Besides the sleeping apartments there
are dining rooms for all sorts of pur-
poses. The large dining room seats 300
guests. It is a magnificent room with
high arched ceilings, fine hard finish,
splendidly lighted and with charming
views of all points. A guest cannot sit
down in the room where he will not enjoy
a superb marine view. There is also a
balcony for musicians to discourse sweet
strains while a banquet may be in
progress.

Corresponding with the dining-room
on another side of the house is the ball-
room. It is about the same size as the
dining-room, and much the same in
form. It may be entered from the main
floor or from the upper one. The floor
is all of hard inlaid woods.

There are cosy little breakfast rooms
and a children's dining room. There is
a barber's shop with baths attached.

The kitchen and its accessories are as
perfect as modern skill can make
things. It is marvelous, the multiplicity
of appliances in modern cuisine. There
is not only the big range, but there are
steaming tables, a sand oven for pastry
and a hundred things which the reporter
could not even guess at the use of.

The laundry is as perfect. There are
washing machines, centrifugal drying



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAUTAUQUA BUILDING AT REDONDO, CAL.

machines, ironing machines, soap boil-
ers, dryers and a complete system
that makes one laugh involuntarily when
he thinks of an old-fashioned wash tub
and board. A guest can send his linen
in, and in two hours have it all returned
in perfect cleanliness.

The cold storage room is another de-
partment that makes one realize what a
complicated yet simple thing the mod-
ern way of living is. Here are half a
hundred compartments, where milk,
meat, butter, ice cream and scores of
other things are kept entirely distinct,
and as cold as the north pole. The ice
chests hold ten tons of ice.

So one goes over this great caravansary
and at each point he is met by some-
thing new to astonish him. From the
time he enters the lobby, with its elan-
gant finish in hard wood and its charm-
ing view of the bay, until he reaches the
top of the tower, whence he can see far
out to sea on one side, and on the other
the tops of snow-capped peaks, he finds
everything perfect and everything deli-
cious in its way.

The power house with its fine engine,
its electric dynamo, and two Hazelton
tubular boilers, is apart from the rest of
the building. The main hall on the
upper floor is 300 feet long.

Ulrich, of the Del Monte hotel at Mon-
terey, laid out the grounds. He is by
far the greatest genius in his business on
the Coast, and the results of his plans
are very beautiful. In the area behind
the hotel there are fine date palms of
magnificent growth, shipped down from
the gardens of Captain Ainsworth's fine
place in Oakland, and others purchased
in Los Angeles and transplanted in the
hotel grounds. Going into details the
HERALD is glad to borrow from the Oakland
Inquirer, of about the end of March, as
follows:

"The ground plan reminds you of the
capitals E and Y put together, with an
O surmounting the F, thus:

"The O is the dining room, and al-
though smaller than the celebrated
banqueting hall of the Coronado, that
seats its thousand guests, it is a much
handsomer apartment. In the top part
of the F is located the kitchen, provided
with every modern convenience, with
steamers and refrigerators and cool
rooms for the pastry cook, great ranges
for cooking meats, waffle ovens, broilers,
pastry ovens and conveniences innumera-
ble. The middle of the F is the ball-
room, with stage and balcony, and the
most intricate pattern of inlaid wood
floor. Where the middle cross bar of
the F intersects the main upright, are
located the lobby and various offices,
which are finished in hard wood.

"The mantel in the dining-room is a
poem in carved oak, and the same may
be said of the ladies' reception room.
The northerly and west walls of the din-
ing-room are one continuous window of
the most wonderfully clear French plat-
glass, overlooking the sparkling waves
and the Sierra Madre mountains be-
yond. Light and cheerful corridors ex-
tend north and south along the main
stems of the F and Y and out to the ex-
treme end of the branches of the Y.

"The sleeping rooms are on either side
and all have a lovely outlook—all are
rooms—not a dark or 'back'
room in the building. The roof is broken
up into pinnacles, towers and cupolas, and
'bay' and 'bow' and 'oriole' windows
project at many points, giving constant
and pleasing surprises to the eye. Many
of the rooms are perfectly lovely. A
sumptuously large apartment will have
an alcove breaking off from one corner,
while from another corner will open a
circular or octagon-shaped room with
plate-glass sides, overlooking the sea and
forming a charming spot for a *tele-a-tele*
or a smoke, or a book, or a reverie, or
where a good wife would delight even in
sowing on a husband's shirt buttons.

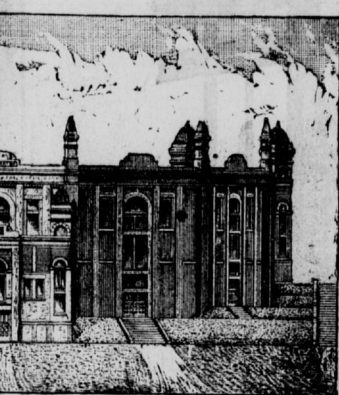
"In the court, between the cross bar
and the top of the F, is located a large
brick building called the 'power house'.
In it are two enormous upright Hazel-
ton boilers. They have a capacity of
100 horse-power each, and are to run the

various machinery of this great estab-
lishment—the steam pump, the elevators.
The dynamo, of which there are
two, are for running the one thousand
incandescent lights all through the
house and the twelve immense arc lights
that are to illuminate the grounds.
Water, hot and cold, is carried to every
room. There are cheerful fire-places in
all the rooms. They will seldom be
needed, however, as the temperature is
about the same year round—never
hot, never cold.

"The baths, closets and appointments
are all that modern skill can afford.
There will be a most charming billiard
room, with a cozy 'sideboard,' and bil-
liard rooms for the ladies will also be
provided. The hotel is now being fur-
nished with most elegant and tasty car-
pets and furniture, and no expense is
being spared to make it an elegant and
comfortable home."

A poetic inspiration seized Mrs. George
J. Ainsworth, the accomplished wife of
Captain Ainsworth, vice-president of the
Redondo Company, and she has, instead
of numbering the rooms, named them
"The Venice," "The Naples," the
"Como," and other classic, Spanish or
Italian names.

The less broken side of the hotel fronts
the ocean, and has many piazzas and
balconies where a sunny or shady re-
treat, as one may wish either, invites
to a reverie, a *tele-a-tele* or a pleasant
book. From the bluff a broad cement
stairway leads to the beach. This great
piece of masonry is 30 feet wide, with
14-inch treads and only 4½-inch risers.
The whole is 110 feet long. The terrace



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is 35 feet wide and 1,000 feet long, but is
not fully complete yet. From the nu-
merous piazzas around the hotel the
beach, with the parterre of flowers
along the terrace, and the sea beyond,
will form a picture that only Naples, or
some equally poetic spot in the Old
World, can at all rival. The hotel
is lighted with 875 incandescent
electric lights, and fifteen arc masts
light the grounds and the townsite. The
boilers are of 100-horse power. The
sewerage of the hotel is perfect, all offal
being carried at a rapid fall out to
sea. The hotel is planned to accom-
modate 300 guests. The building is
modestly planned to admit of easy ex-
pansion in case of danger from any cause.
The kitchen will be supplied with vegetables,
butter, eggs and such things from the
company's own farms.

Personel of the Hotel.
Captain George J. Ainsworth is the
active local manager of all the affairs of
the Redondo hotel as of all the other
Redondo companies. He is ably assisted
by Mr. R. G. Brewer, the secretary of
the companies. Colonel E. W. Root is
the manager of the hotel, and he is as-
sisted by Mr. George H. Arnold, so well
known on the coast from his long con-
nection with the Palace hotel in San
Francisco. Mr. W. E. Hughes is the
general agent of all the Redondo com-
panies.

Bathing in the Surf.
Redondo is to be—in fact is, a great
seaside resort. It has as fine a beach as
the shores of

Old Ocean's blue expanse
Anywhere can boast. There is a
wide stretch of shoal water from the
high-water mark seaward.
The bottom is a clean, fine, soft sand,
so comfortable to tread upon as feathers.
The water is absolutely free, and must
forever remain so, for all foreign mat-
ter. There is not within ten miles any
source of contamination. And it is a
resort for summer and for winter. There
are not ten days in the round year when
delicate children may not enjoy a plunge
in the surf. There is not one day when
strong people need be deprived of this
pleasure. The temperature of the water
is not much different in January from
what it is in August, and the atmos-
phere at midday all winter long ranges
up in the sixties and often in the
seventies. In the open air
invalids may fairly revel in the most
vivifying sunshine all the year round,
and enjoy the most delicious of sea
breezes. It is no idle boast to say that
there are the most favored spots in Southern
Italy can at all compare with Los An-
geles for a winter or summer
health resort. The climate is
the most perfect in the world. Redondo
in its sheltered bay and with its air
tempered and purified by the gentle
breezes from the Pacific stands pre-
eminent as the best seaside resort in the
world. As its attractions become
known, the place will gain a
worldwide reputation, and become as
famous as Cannes, or Nice, or Naples.

The Chautauqua Association.
But material things are not all that is
thought of at Redondo. The mental de-
velopment of the people is a prime con-
sideration there. A fine public school
has been erected which is well conducted
for the usual school terms. And Red-
ondo is the seat of one of the most pop-
ular branches of education yet devised.
Here is the home of the Southern Calif-
ornia Chautauqua Association. There are
forty-two of these branches of the
Chautauqua system in the United
States, and although this is the youngest
of them all, and founded upon the
shores of this western land, it is the
most vigorous and the richest of them
all. Rev. S. J. Fleming is the central
figure in the undertaking, who has
worked for the association with an eye
single to its success from the begin-
ning. When he made known his
plan to the Redondo Company,
with their usual liberal spirit,
the officers set apart five acres near the

heart of the town, on a beautiful knoll,
as a site for the Chautauqua building.
When they saw the wise methods
adopted by Mr. Fleming and became ac-
quainted with the indomitable spirit
that possessed him, they added 600 fine
residence lots surrounding the building
as a further gift to help along the under-
taking. The building was opened Feb-
ruary 22d of this year and at that date
Mr. Fleming, standing on the platform,
said in substance this:

"It is built of concrete, or artificial
stone, composed of pebbles and sand
from the beach and Portland cement
from London. It is the Chautauqua
idea in concrete. This platform is in-
tended for the speaker and the choir, for
whom there will be 500 seats. The door
to the rear leads to the dressing rooms
below. The panels around the building
will be decorated in oriental designs.
The dome will be finished in classical
designs, so that all the nations of an-
tiquity will find representation here. It
is hoped that this will be done by the
meeting of the assembly in July.

"Now here is the business side of the
Chautauqua. We came here when the
only thing not of nature's making on
this beach was a windmill. The com-
pany gave us five acres of land, and
then they gave us 600 lots. We have
sold \$50,000 worth of the lots, and have
enough left so that we think when the
building is completed, and an outlay of
\$50,000 we will still have \$150,000 left
for an endowment fund. Put out at in-
terest this will give us \$12,000 a year for
our work. The sale of tickets ought to
give us a revenue of \$25,000 a year, and
with that we can secure the best talent
in the United States—yes, in the world.
There are forty-two Chautauqua assem-
blies in the United States, and not
another of them all has such a building
as this."

The building is in the form of a great
polygon, the seats being all on one floor.
The measurements are 125x140 feet, 35
feet to the ceiling, which is upheld by
iron pillars. The seats rise tier above
tier. The height of the dome is 80 feet,
and, over all, 100 feet. The seating
capacity is 4,000. It has already cost
\$25,000, all of which is paid excepting
\$6,000, due in three years, and to finish
it will cost \$25,000 more, making the
total cost \$50,000.

From the sale of the lots, after paying
for the building, the surplus is in the
vaults of the Security Safe Deposit Com-
pany in good securities. The association
has still property which, when sold, will
bring perhaps \$200,000. The assets of
the concern, therefore, are in the neigh-
borhood of \$300,000.

A cut of the building embellishes this
page of the HERALD. Arrangements are
being made for the opening of the Great
Assembly in July, and that will be a
notable occasion. The finances of the
association are on so solid a basis that
the very best talent will be obtainable at
all times, and feasts of reason of the most
brilliant types may be expected on all
occasions when the trustees are pleased
to put forth their energies.

The Day at Redondo.
In spite of the fact that it was windy
and cloudy yesterday in Los Angeles the
weather was almost perfect at Redondo.
The sea was fretted with breakers of
moderate dimensions, the water was
warm and the sunshine gleamed bril-
liantly out of a clear blue sky.

The trains from Los Angeles were well
filled, and a large number of people
availed themselves of the opportunity
given by the excursion to visit this
beautiful seaside resort. It is estimated
that nearly a thousand people visited
Redondo. About seven hundred were
entertained at the hotel. Carriages
were ready at the depot to convey visi-
tors to the hotel. Many, however, pre-
ferred to walk, as the distance is not
great.

At the hotel the guests were received
by Colonel E. W. Root, the manager,
and George H. Arnold, the assistant
manager, and shown about the building.
Captains Ainsworth and Thompson,
Geo. J. Ainsworth and R. G. Brewer, of
the Redondo Beach Company, were pre-
sent, and assisted in the entertainment
of the guests. An elegant lunch had
been spread in the dining-room, with
which visitors were served. They then
went to the parlors and the public
rooms of the great building, and after
they had completed its inspection, re-
turned to the large balcony which looks
out upon the ocean.

On all sides were heard expressions of
enthusiastic admiration at the excel-
lence of the hotel. The dining-room and
ballrooms were especially admired for
their size and beauty. The superb fur-
nishing of the apartments, the elegant
and commodious parlors, the convenient
arrangement of the building in all its de-
tails called forth universal commenda-
tion. It was unanimously agreed that
the hotel was one to which the people of
Los Angeles could refer visitors with very
proper pride.

Only a few of those who visited the
hotel registered. A full list of the
visitors would fill several columns.
Among those who registered were the fol-
lowing:

James Campbell, Port Ballona; An-
drew Juers, Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. H.
W. Chase, Mrs. Maud Northam, John
Finn, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Schreiber, M.
J. Ashmore, Los Angeles; Jos. Know-
land, San Francisco; H. G. Stevenson,
Los Angeles; Chas. Vier, Redondo; L.
J. Keese and wife, E. C. Bosbyshell, S.
C. Hubbell and wife, Geo. Mason, Dr.
and Mrs. M. H. Allen, W. H. Hill and
wife, Dan Curtis, A. M. Jones and
wife, I. N. Van Nuy and wife, Los An-
geles; C. W. Royal, Portland, Ore.; W.
F. Bosbyshell and wife, Los Angeles;
Austin A. Smith and wife, San Fran-
cisco; W. Parris and wife, Miss Wake-
lee, B. C. Wright, L. Prager and wife,
Los Angeles; D. Freeman, Inglewood;
John H. F. Peck and wife, S. M. Perry
and wife, E. P. Johnson and wife, Sam'l
Whitehorn, Los Angeles; Louis Ram-
son, Akron, O.; J. L. Spencer,
Mrs. C. McGregor, H. Chandler,
Major E. W. Jones, Mrs. E. W. Jones,
L. F. Fletcher, O. W. Baldwin, Mrs. E.
R. Gilmore, Mrs. C. Joslyn, W. B. Ste-
wart, Los Angeles; Frank A. Brodshard,
Los Angeles; D. C. Hough, Los Ange-
les; Mrs. Carrie M. Brown, Los Ange-
les; Mrs. Mary Gilchrist, University,
Cal.; J. F. Crosby, Los Angeles; A. L.
Burbank, M. F. O'Dea, E. G. Hale,
Charles J. Ellis, Mrs. Charles J. Ellis,
Mrs. W. P. Gardner, D. M. True and
wife, Los Angeles; T. D.
Lanterman, Miss Mary Hills, Mrs. M. H.
Banning, Miss Mary Banning, Miss Lucy
Banning, Mrs. E. Preuss, Mrs. C. Schu-
macher, A. T. Patton, Los Angeles;
J. R. McClintock and wife, Phil-

adelphia, Pennsylvania; H. K. S.
O'Melveny, Miss Adell O'Melveny, L. R.
Rich, Major Ben Truman and wife, F.
C. Woodbury and wife, Freeman G.
Teed and wife, Major Bonsall and daugh-
ters and Walter A. Moore and wife.

The Los Angeles Furniture Company.
The furnishing of the hotel is done in
a style of elegance, comfort and durabil-
ity that is altogether in harmony with
all the other undertakings at Redondo.
The comfort of the guests is the first ob-
ject in view and is never lost sight of,
and of course the impression made on
the eye from the standpoint of the ar-
tistic is a large part of the comfort of
those who shall be guests at the hos-
telry. From the carpets on the floor to
the shades at the windows this depart-
ment of the enterprise is capably fitted
out. The Redondo people made it sure
that this would be so in every particular,
and to this end the work of fitting out
and furnishing was committed to the
Los Angeles Furniture Company, of this
city. The house has been doing busi-
ness in Los Angeles under one form or
other for many years. For half a dozen
years its management has been in the
hands of the officers of a corporation of
almost unlimited responsibility. They are,
furthermore, gentlemen of such
known integrity that they enjoy the con-
fidence of the public. Their warehouses,
on North Main street, are among the
largest in the State, and they carry a
stock of goods that for variety, elegance,
finish and durability could not be ex-
ceeded anywhere. The connections of
the company reach all the best manu-
facturers of America, and enable them
to fill the largest orders with the utmost
expedition and on the most reasonable
terms.

For any house of average facilities the
furnishing of the Redondo hotel in the
style called for would be no
ordinary matter; for the Los An-
geles Furniture Company it was
the easiest thing in the world to
do it, and to do it well. The fine soft
carpets, the luxurious furniture, the
cosy devices looking to the comfort of
the occupants of the hotel, all testify to
the perfect success attained through the
efforts of the company in whose hands
the work was placed. The taste dis-
played is more remarkable than in the
other features of the results reached.
The fittings of the rooms are all artistic.
The soft tints, the pretty patterns of the
carpets, the harmony of colors, the ele-
gance of designs in the furniture, the
cosy home-like look of each room, all be-
speak taste and judgment seldom dis-
cernible in the upholstery of a hotel.
Stiffness, angularity, uncomfortable-
ness and the unsightly in all forms are
unknown quantities in the Redondo
hotel. Certainly the Los Angeles
furniture people achieved a marked
success in the manner in which they
furnished and fitted out this charming
hotel. It will stand for all time as a
guarantee of the ability and taste of the
Furniture Company to do anything in
their line that the demands of the
country may ever call for.

Simon Maier Supplies the Meat.
The Redondo Hotel Company pro-
poses to feed its guests as well as it
lodges them. With vegetables, butter,
milk and eggs from the farms of the com-
pany and meats from the slaughter
houses of Simon Maier of North Spring
street, opposite the court house, in Los
Angeles, the most important part of the
supplies are secured of such a character
as to satisfy the palates of the most fas-
tidious. Mr. Maier is the most experi-
enced butcher in Los Angeles. His suc-
cess in his business is some-
thing remarkable. All the gourmets
of the city buy their meat at his shop
and will not have it from any other
source. It is not all done when a good
animal is secured from the knife. A
bad butcher will spoil the best of
meat. A skillful butcher will do much
to make indifferent meat very palatable.
Maier first buys good animals. He then
kills them in the proper manner, and
winds up by curing and cutting the
meat so as to get the best results as to
quality. He will furnish all the meat
used at the hotel, and the guests may
rest assured that from a lamb chop to a
roast their meat will be such as to tempt
the appetite of the most fastidious va-
letudinarian that shall seek the seaside for
the restoration of his health. Maier's
sausage are noted all over the city as
the best to be had.

The Painting.
The work of the painters at the hotel
has been done in what is called a master
workmanship manner. This contract
was given to Messrs. Fitzgerald & At-
wood, the painters, whose place of busi-
ness is on Franklin street, opposite New
High. These gentlemen have never un-
dertaken a contract of any kind that
they did not carry it out in a better
manner than was expected of them, and
in this instance so well pleased were the
managers of the company that the pay-
ment of the money was made before any
of the other bills were settled.
The contract was a large one,
as the building is 1,700 feet around,
but the painters were so careful
and experienced that there is not a spot
on the entire surface but is perfect. The
interior was also so carefully and per-
fectly painted that not a brush spattered
the paint over the walls. A most criti-
cal examination of the work yesterday
failed to reveal a single defect in any
of the painting. The colors had been se-
lected by the company in conjunction with
the architect, and all the details were faith-
fully carried out by Messrs. Atwood &
Fitzgerald. This firm has had on hand
a number of large contracts, among
which was the painting of the Indian
schools at Banning. It is also just com-
pleting the decoration of the Chicago
Clothing Company's store on the corner
of Franklin and Spring streets, both in-
side and out, and the work has been
attracting widespread attention.

Meyberg Bros.
The attention of many of the visitors
yesterday was attracted to the hand-
some electroliers which have been
placed in the various rooms and hall-
ways of the hotel. It was for the light-
ing of the hotel either by gas or elec-
tricity, and the